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Senate Resolution 146

By: Senator Tolleson of the 20th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Sheriff Jerry L. Lancaster on the occasion of his retirement;
- 2 and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, on December 31, 2008, Sheriff Jerry L. Lancaster retired from his 28 year post
- 4 as sheriff of Pulaski County, Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Sheriff Lancaster is highly regarded by the citizens of his community and state
- 6 and by local government officials as a person of unquestionable integrity and dedication to
- 7 the sound principles of law enforcement; and
- 8 WHEREAS, born and raised in Hawkinsville, Georgia, Sheriff Lancaster served for nearly
- 9 ten years with the Georgia State Patrol before being elected sheriff in 1980; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Sheriff Lancaster stands as the longest serving sheriff in the history of Pulaski
- 11 County, elected to office an impressive seven times; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he served as sheriff with valor and compassion for 28 years and stands as a true
- champion for the citizens of Georgia, guided by the best interests of the people; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Sheriff Lancaster is united in love and marriage to Nell Gross Lancaster, and
- 15 the couple has been blessed with two remarkable children and three delightful grandchildren;
- 16 and
- 17 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the members of this body show their
- 18 gratitude for the unique and courageous contributions of local law enforcement officers on
- 19 behalf of the citizens of this state.
- 20 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
- 21 commend the care, fortitude, and selfless dedication exhibited by Sheriff Jerry L. Lancaster
- 22 in carrying out the difficult duties of his vocation for nearly three decades and extend to him

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23 their utmost appreciation for having so purely and truly defined for others the meaning of

- 24 public servant.
- 25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 26 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Sheriff Jerry L. Lancaster.